## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

CIVIL ACTION
NO. 05-10088-MBB

JULIANNE MARIE EVANS Plaintiff,

VS.

NANTUCKET COMMUNITY SAILING, INC.,

RONAN O'SIOCHRU and DONNCHA KIELY Defendants

DEFENDANTS' MOTION IN LIMINE TO PRECLUDE PLAINTIFF FROM OFFERING EVIDENCE BEYOND THE SCOPE OF THE PARTIES' STIPULATION OF DECEMBER 8, 2005

Now come the defendants, Nantucket Community Sailing, Inc., Ronan O'Siochru, and Donncha Kiely, in the above captioned action, by and through their undersigned counsel, and respectfully move this Honorable Court in Limine to preclude the plaintiff from offering evidence beyond the scope of the Parties' Stipulation of December 8, 2005.

As grounds in support of their motion, the defendants submit the following for the Court's consideration.

## BACKGROUND

This is a maritime cause of action for personal injuries brought by Julianne Marie Evans. The plaintiff maintains that on July 5, 2002, she was aboard a sailboat owned by Nantucket Community Sailing, Inc. and piloted by the codefendant, Ronan O'Siochru, when she was struck by the boom

from a second sailboat, also owned by Nantucket Community
Sailing, Inc., but piloted by the co-defendant, Donncha
Kiely. The plaintiff alleges that as a result of being struck
by the sailboat boom she sustained a loss of smell and taste.

#### **ARGUMENT**

The civil action was commenced in this matter on January 13, 2005 with issues joining on February 2, 2005. On December 8, 2005, the plaintiff's deposition was obtained. Prior to the deposition and in plaintiff's presence, a colloquy on the record between the undersigned and the plaintiff's predecessor counsel, Steven D. Miller, occurred. The plaintiff's counsel stipulated that [1] the only claim presented in this action was for loss of taste and smell; [2] the plaintiff was not seeking loss of earning capacity, either past or future; and [3] limit medical expenses relating to the loss of taste and smell. See Exhibit "A" attached hereto.

On August 31, 2006, thirty days [30] days before the expiration of discovery, the plaintiff filed her Motion to Revoke Stipulation Limiting Claims for Damages to Those Related to Loss of Taste and Smell. On September 18, 2006, the defendants filed their Opposition to plaintiff's Motion to Revoke Stipulation Limiting Claims for Damages to Those Related to Loss of Taste and Smell.

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After conducting a hearing on October 24, 2006, this
Honorable Court denied plaintiff's Motion to Revoke
Stipulation Limiting Claims for Damages to Those Related to
Loss of Taste and Smell and therefore, the plaintiff was not
relieved from the parameters of the stipulation. See Exhibit
"B" attached hereto. Accordingly, this Honorable Court
should properly preclude the plaintiff from offering any
evidence, which is beyond the scope of the Stipulation of
December 8, 2005.

WHEREFORE, the defendants pray that this Honorable Court grant this Motion *In Limine* and preclude the plaintiff from offering any evidence beyond the scope of the Parties' Stipulation of December 8, 2005.

Respectfully submitted by their counsel;
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Defendants

DEPOSITION OF: JULIANNE M. EVANS

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make the appropriate arrangements.

MR. MUZYKA: Steve, usually what we do up here is we have stipulations in the beginning concerning the deposition, which all objections are reserved and motions to strike are reserved to the time of trial except as to form.

And as far as reading, signing the deposition, usually that's made by -- that's a determination made by the deponent or yourself at the conclusion of the deposition. Is that okay with you?

MR. STEVEN MILLER: Yes.

MR. MUZYKA: Before we start the deposition, you and I spoke earlier. And I just want to see if we can eliminate areas of inquiry so that we can expedite the deposition.

In the past when I have spoken with Jeffrey Miller and in court, he made representations that the only claims that are being presented in this litigation are for the loss of taste and loss of smell, that there would be no other personal injury claims made. Can we stipulate to that?

MR. STEVEN MILLER: Yes.

1 Okay. In addition to that, MR. MUZYKA: Jeff has also agreed that there will be no 2 claims made here for loss of earning capacity, 3 4 either past or future. Can we --5 MR. STEVEN MILLER: Yes. 6 MR. MUZYKA: And lastly, with regard to medical expenses, although we did not discuss 7 it specifically, we would be willing to limit 8 only those medical expenses that are related to 9 loss of smell and taste. Is that satisfactory 10 11 to you? 12 MR. STEVEN MILLER: Well, to the extent 13 that she has some medical bills from the 14 emergency room and doctors and initial treatment and consultations following, but 15 nothing in the future with regards to anything 16 other than taste and smell. 17 That's correct. 18 MR. MUZYKA: With regard to --19 MR. STEVEN MILLER: We've given you that 20 lien information, the Blue Cross stuff, Tom. 21 So it's not significant anyway. 22 MR. MUZYKA: It isn't? 23 MR. STEVEN MILLER: No. 24 MR. MUZYKA: With regard to that then, I

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will limit my examination with regard to just
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            the claim for loss of smell and taste.
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                MR. STEVEN MILLER:
                                     That's fine.
            (By Mr. Muzyka) Ms. Evans, would you please state
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     your full name?
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     Α.
            Julianne Marie Evans.
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     Q.
           And your residence?
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     Α.
            200 Jacaranda Drive.
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           Could you spell that, please?
     0.
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     Α.
           J-A-C-A-R-A-N-D-A.
           And where is that located?
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     Q.
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           It's in Plantation, Florida.
     Α.
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           And how long have you been living there?
     Q.
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           Fourteen years.
     Α.
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           Is that a house, or is it a condo, or is it an
     Q.
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     apartment?
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     Α.
           It's a condo.
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           And do you own it?
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     Α.
           Yes.
           Could you please give me your date of birth?
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     A.
           10/23/62.
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           And your Social Security number, please?
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           369-80-1103.
     Α.
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     Q.
           Where were you born?
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